

# ALWAYS CALL BEFORE YOU DIG



**Don't pick up your shovel  
before you pick up your phone  
and Call 811!**

## **It's the law!**

Indiana law requires all homeowners and excavators to call and have underground lines located before they begin a digging project.

811 is the new three digit connection, which means you don't have to struggle to remember the "Call Before You Dig" number, not only in Indiana, but across the nation!

When you dial 811 in Indiana, your calls will be routed to the Indiana Underground Plant Protection Service (IUPPS) who will then notify the affected utilities, which will send locators to mark the underground lines for free.

## **Why call 811?**

Knowing where your lines are buried before each digging project may just save your life!

The depth of utility lines vary and multiple utility lines may exist in the same area. Damages to these lines can disrupt service to an entire neighborhood, harm diggers, and cost diggers repair costs.

According to a recent national survey, roughly half of all Americans are "active diggers" who have done (or are planning to do) some type of digging project at home, yet only about a third of these people have called to get their utility lines marked.

Smart digging means calling 811 before each job because marked lines show diggers the approximate location of underground lines and help prevent undesired consequences. Now, with 811, there is no excuse not to call.

**Safe Digging Is No Accident: Always Call 811 Before You Dig.**

